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SUBJECT: CSCE: FOLLOW- UP TO THE CONFERENCE

HELSINKI FOR USDEL MPT

1. FRENCH REP ADVISED SENIOR POLADS APRIL 5 THAT PARIS HAD SERIOUS DOUBTS ABOUT ALLIES' AGREED INITIAL FALL- BACK POSITION ON FOLLOW- UP TO CSCE, I. E., PROPOSE THAT EACH SPECIALIZED COMMITTEE CONSIDER FOLLOW- UP. BASIS FOR FRENCH CONCERN WAS POSSIBILITY THAT SOVIETS MIGHT ACCEPT THIS PROPOSAL, LEAVING ALLIES WITH SITUATION IN WHICH FOLLOW- UP WOULD ALSO HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED UNDER AGENDA ITEM ONE.

2. WITH REFERENCE TO DISCUSSION OF " BASKET" FOUR SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 6, FRENCH REP SAID PARIS HOPED ALLIES WOULD SIMPLY BE ABLE TO LISTEN TO SOVIET POSITION AND AVOID RESPONSE. IF RESPONSE WAS UNAVOIDABLE, HE SAID, FRENCH MPT REP WOULD NOT DEPART FROM AGREED ALLIED POSITION. HOWEVER, PARIS HOPED THAT ALLIES WOULD REEXAMINE THIS POSITION AT APRIL 11 MEETING WITH MPT EXPETS. COMMENT: FRENCH RESERVATION RE BASKET ONE IS NOT NEW AND IS  
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SHARED BY SEVERAL OTHER DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING US. SUGGESTION THAT SOVIETS MIGHT ACCEPT INITIAL ALLIED FALL- BACK POSITION

IS NEW, HOWEVER, AND STRIKES US AS BEING FAR- FETCHED. RUMSFELD

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